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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:
(PH)

***AN ACT REQUIRING TANNING FACILITIES TO PROVIDE
NOTIFICATION OF THE HEALTH RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE USE
OF TANNING DEVICES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 19a-232 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

3 (a) As used in this section:

4 (1) "Consumer" means any individual who (A) is provided access to
5 a tanning facility in exchange for a fee or other compensation, or (B) in
6 exchange for a fee or other compensation, is afforded use of a tanning
7 device as a condition or benefit of membership or access;

8 (2) "Operator" means an individual designated by the tanning
9 facility to control operation of the tanning facility and to instruct and
10 assist the consumer in the proper operation of the tanning device;

11 (3) "Tanning device" means any equipment that emits radiation
12 used for tanning of the skin, such as a sunlamp, tanning booth or
13 tanning bed that emits ultraviolet radiation, and includes any

14 accompanying equipment, such as timers or handrails; and

15 (4) "Tanning facility" means any place where a tanning device is
16 used for a fee, membership dues or other compensation.

17 (b) Each tanning facility shall: (1) Post a sign readily visible to
18 persons entering such facility that includes (A) warnings about the
19 health risks associated with the use of a tanning device, (B) instructions
20 for the use of such device, and (C) notice that consumer complaints
21 may be directed to the municipal health department or health district
22 in which the tanning facility is located; and (2) require consumers,
23 prior to the use of any tanning device, to read and sign a statement
24 that includes warnings about health risks associated with the use of
25 tanning devices. Signs and statements required by this subsection shall
26 be approved by the municipal health department or health district for
27 the municipality in which the tanning facility is located.

28 ~~[(b)]~~ (c) Any operator who, knowing that a person is under sixteen
29 years of age or under circumstances where such operator should know
30 that a person is under sixteen years of age, allows such person to use a
31 tanning device without the written consent of a parent or guardian
32 shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars. Such fine shall be
33 payable to the municipal health department or health district for the
34 municipality in which the tanning facility is located.

35 ~~[(c)]~~ (d) Any municipal health department established under this
36 chapter and any district department of health established under
37 chapter 368f may, within its available resources, enforce the provisions
38 of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2010	19a-232

Statement of Purpose:

To require tanning facilities to inform consumers of the health risks associated with the use of a tanning device prior to the use of such devices.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]